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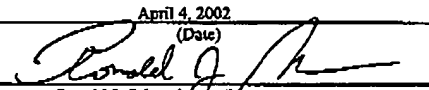
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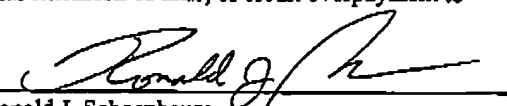
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on February 7, 2002, please reconsider the above-referenced application in view of the following amendments and remarks:

IN THE TITLE:

Please change to title to: --COMPUTER SERVICES FOR ASSISTING USERS IN LOCATING AND EVALUATING ITEMS IN AN ELECTRONIC CATALOG BASED ON ACTIONS PERFORMED BY MEMBERS OF SPECIFIC USER COMMUNITIES--.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 3, with the following:

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